(b) if so, the steps taken in this regard;

(c) if not the reasons therefor; and

(d) the name of the villages where such a facility is not available?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) to (c) The Access Services are being provided by private companies under Unified Access Service/Cellular Mobile Telephone Service License. Rollout obligation stipulates 90% coverage of 50% District Head Quarters (DHQs) or any town in lieu thereof. There is no mandatory roll-out obligation for rural coverage in these licences. The expansion of rural telecommunication facilities is envisaged through Universal Service Obligation Fund.

(d) Does not arise in view of (a) to (c) above.

Funds allocated for telecom circle in Maharashtra

1899. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR:
SHRI BALAVANT ALIAS BAL APTE:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the funds allocated for providing telecom services in Maharashtra for each of the last three years and current financial year, district-wise;

(b) whether the telecom circles have achieved their targets;

(c) if so, the details thereof including the expenditure incurred thereon;

(d) if not the reasons therefor; and

(e) by when the target is likely to be achieved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) The details of funds allotment in Maharashtra for the last three years and current financial year are as under:

(Amount Rs. in Crores)

Year	Allotment
2002-2003	1123.21
2003-2004	780.89
2004-2005	531.67
2005-2006	1689.33

Unit-wise details of funds allotment are given in the Statement (See below).

(b) and (c) The details of target and achievement in Maharashtra Circle during last three years are as under:

Parameter	2002-03		2003-04		2004-05		2005-06 upto 30.6.2005	
	Target	Ach.	Target	Ach.	Target	Ach.	Target	Ach.
Telephone Connection	593000	565043	596000	343365	965500	384831	2052000	178386
OFC (RKM)	9236	9041.16	5100	4961.63		3020.76	4000	392.76

The expenditure incurred during the last 3 years and current year is as detailed below:

Year	Expenditure incurred (Amount Rs. in Crores)
2002-2003	1286.09
2003-2004	681.41
2004-2005	579.76
2005-2006 (till June 2005)	42.47

(d) Reasons for non achivement of some of the targets are:

1) Disconnection of more than 4 Lakh landline during 2003-04 and 2004-05.

2) Delayed receipt of WLL equipment.

3) Non receipt of FWTs due to court case.

(e) The targets are set annually and all efforts are being made to achieve the target fixed for the current year.

Unit-wise fund allotment for the years 2002-03, 2003-04 & 2004-05

(Amount Rs. in Crores)

Unit	Fund Allotted		
	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
Ahmednagar	70.44	93.36	21.96
Akola	11.39	24.40	17.48
Amravati	7.82	19.57	11.89
Aurangabad	25.62	13.39	15.37
Beed	34.81	15.09	8.69
Bhandara	18.1	5.81	§.84
Buldhana	25.78	11.43	9.70
Chandrapur	7.99	12.01	10.12
Dhule	23.41	9.64	5.83
Goa	33.78	10.24	15.00
Jalgaon	62.1	24.71	18.05
Jalna	33.69	9.47	8.97
Kalyan	116.69	22.85	15.76
Kolhapur	35.25	20.00	8.04
Latur	39.39	10.44	12.22
Nanded	25.43	12.68	7.89
Nasik	54.00	23.78	20.54
Nagpur	49.77	27.77	15.33
Osmanabad	22.03	10.47	4.48
Parbhani	33.73	10.55	9.31
Pune	133.49	101.89	73.42
Raigad	20.92	20.50	17.01
Ratnagiri	29.21	19.31	11.56
Sangli	29.11	14.47	11.05
Satara	30.98	23.95	13.13
Solapur	49.03	28.21	21.37
Sindhudurg	26.12	10.08	10.26
Wardha	12.27	3.48	8.22
Yeotmal	26.31	19.44	18.34
Gadchiroli	34.55	0.00	3.47
CTO	0	0.03	0.01
Mobile	0	151.86	95.37
CGMT	0	0.00	5.96
TOTAL	1123.21	780.89	531.67